GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Anti-Malaria Drug
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether there has been any breakthrough in developing a one day two dose anti malaria drug which could replace the current 14 day long treatment;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether clinical trials of said drug has been approved; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which said drug will be available in the market?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a): Yes.

(b): Anitmalarial drug which could replace the current 14 day long primaquine treatment for P. vivax relapse is an 8-aminoquinoline, Tafenoquine being developed GSK and MMV.

(c): Yes, the Phase II multi-country clinical trial including India was approved by Drug Control General of India (DCGI).

(d): Phase III multi-country clinical trial has been completed at Brazil, Colombia, Peru, Thailand, Vietnam, Ethiopia and Philippines. The results will be available in 2017 and will be submitted to US FDA and TGA Australia for approvals. Thereafter approvals from other malaria endemic countries will be obtained.
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